ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA AGENDA

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

The meeting will be called to order by the Chairman on Tuesday, November 13, 2007, at 6:30 P.M. in the Third Floor Conference Room 3A, Williamsburg Municipal Building, 401 Lafayette Street. When invited by the Chairman, speakers should state their name and address before making brief comments.

ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION DISTRICT

*ARB #07-078 Ganeshan & Boone/705 College Terrace – Exterior Change (windows)

CORRIDOR PROTECTION DISTRICT

*ARB #07-079 Suntrust Bank/1186 Jamestown Road – Exterior Change (add light fixtures)

*ARB #07-080 Driscoll/4 Bayberry Lane - Addition to single-family dwelling

*ARB #07-081 Food for Thought/1647 Richmond Road – Exterior Change (lighting)

SIGNS

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SIGN #07-046 Patriot Bed & Breakfast/706 Richmond Road – Freestanding Sign

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SIGN #07-047 B invited & Dear – Mitchell – Digges Design Inc/224 Monticello Avenue – Building Mounted Signs

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SIGN #07-048 Parkside Williamsburg/1408 Richmond Road – Building Mounted Sign

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SIGN #07-049 The Velvet Shoestring/311 Second Street – Building Mounted Sign

CONCEPTUAL REVIEW

ARB #07-076 Butler, Digges & Hickman/600 South Henry Street - Condominiums (10 units)

ARB #07-077 McDonalds/1620 Richmond Road – Playground Equipment & Fencing

OTHER

Minutes of the October 23, 2007 meeting

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* = Consent Agenda

APPLICANTS WHO ARE NOT ON THE CONSENT AGENDA MUST BE REPRESENTED AT THE MEETING. APPLICANTS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE PRESENT AT THE MEETING BUT ATTENDANCE IS NOT MANDATORY. IF A CASE IS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND A REPRESENTATIVE IS NOT PRESENT THE CASE WILL BE TABLED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING. APPLICANTS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WHO DO NOT ATTEND THE MEETING DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK.

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ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION DISTRICT

*ARB #07-078 Ganeshan & Boone/705 College Terrace

This is an application to replace the existing Cradco windows which were installed in 1988 for Anderson 400 series with simulated divided light vinyl clad wood windows as shown on the enclosed information. A variety of window styles exist on the dwelling with muntins between the panes of glass, inside only and some with muntins applied to the exterior windows. The applicant proposes a colonial muntin with a 7/8 profile. Our records indicate the building was constructed in 1930 and is a Dutch Colonial Revival dwelling known as the Geddy House.

This property is located in **AP-2** of the **Architectural Preservation District** and Chapter V, pages 13 thru 15 of the **Design Review Guidelines** pertains to this application.

Staff has reviewed the request and recommends approval since the original windows were replaced with Cradco windows in the past and the proposed Anderson windows are more historically accurate for the dwelling. **Consent Agenda.**

CORRIDOR PROTECTION DISTRICT

*ARB #07-079 Suntrust Bank/1186 Jamestown Road

This is an application to add three 20 foot bronze shoebox type light fixtures to the parking lot as shown on the enclosed drawing. Additional lighting is proposed based on the low levels of lighting at the bank.

This property is located in the **Corridor Protection District** and Chapter VI, pages 7 thru 9 of the **Design Review Guidelines** pertain to this application.

Staff has reviewed the request and recommends approval. **Consent Agenda.**

*ARB #07-080 Driscoll/4 Bayberry Lane

This is an application to construct a 45'x32' addition on the dwelling as shown on the enclosed drawings. The applicant proposes to match existing materials and colors for the addition. This property is adjacent to a greenbelt along Jamestown Road and the architect has been informed that the driveway must be located at least 50 feet from the property line along Jamestown Road to stay out of the greenbelt.

This property is located in the **Corridor Protection District** and Chapter VI, pages 7 thru 9 of the **Design Review Guidelines** pertain to this application.

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Staff has reviewed the request and recommends approval. **Consent Agenda.**

*ARB #07-081 Food for Thought/1647 Richmond Road

This is an application for five gooseneck lights and two small wall washers painted blue to match the existing shutters as shown on the enclosed drawings. The applicant has requested the additional lighting because the building and parking area along the side of the building is very dark at night.

This property is located in the **Corridor Protection District** and Chapter VI, pages 7 thru 9 of the **Design Review Guidelines** pertain to this application.

Staff has reviewed the request and recommends approval. **Consent Agenda.**

SIGNS

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SIGN #07-046 Patriot B & B/706 Richmond Road

This is an application for a 2.5 square foot freestanding sign as shown on the enclosed drawings for a name change from Primrose Cottage B & B to Patriot B & B. The applicant proposes a gray background, black border and post with Raleigh Tavern Chinese Red lettering.

This sign is located in the **Residential Sign District** and Chapter VII – Signs – pages 1 through 8 of the **Design Review Guidelines** pertain to this application.

Staff has reviewed the request and recommends approval. **Consent Agenda.**

*ARB

SIGN #07-047 B invited & Dear-Mitchell-Digges Design Inc/224B & 224C Monticello Avenue

This is an application for a 20 square foot and 15 square foot building mounted signs for two businesses in the Debord Building as shown on the enclosed drawings. The two signs will have a white background with black lettering. The logo for the B invited will have a small amount of green and yellow.

These signs are located in the **Corridor Sign District** and Chapter VII – Signs – pages 1 through 8 of the **Design Review Guidelines** pertain to this application.

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Staff has reviewed the request and recommends approval. **Consent Agenda.**

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SIGN #07-048 Parkside Williamsburg/1408 Richmond Road

This is an application to remove the existing illegal sign for a 32 square foot sign as shown on the enclosed drawings. The applicant proposes a blue background with red and white lettering with two black gooseneck lamps to be centered on the building.

This sign is located in the **Corridor Sign District** and Chapter VII – Signs – pages 1 through 8 of the **Design Review Guidelines** pertain to this application.

Staff has reviewed the request and recommends the name of the business being larger with the other information being smaller. The **Design Review Guidelines** state "the graphic design should be simple in approach and reflect the business logo, merchandise or service and should not appear busy, cluttered or crowded".

*ARB SIGN #07-049 The Velvet Shoestring/311 Second Street

This is an application for a 32 square foot building mounted sign and three gooseneck lamps for illumination as shown on the enclosed drawings. The applicant proposes a dark brown background with gold lettering. The applicant has also requested to change the awning color from dark green to dark brown so the awnings will match the proposed sign.

This sign is located in the **Corridor Sign District** and Chapter VII – Signs – pages 1 through 8 of the **Design Review Guidelines** pertain to this application.

Staff has reviewed the request and recommends approval. **Consent Agenda.**

CONEPTUAL REVIEW

ARB #07-076 Butler, Digges & Hickman/604, 608, 610 & 616 South Henry Street

The applicant are submitting conceptual plans for a proposed ten unit condominium building at the corner of South Boundary Street and South Henry Street as shown on the enclosed drawings. Conceptual plans are submitted to coincide with a special use permit to increase the density on the property from eight to fourteen dwelling units per net area.

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The following materials are proposed for the building:

- Foundation brick
- Walls brick
- Roof asphalt shingles
- Doors wood clad
- Windows wood clad
- Trim PVC
- Deck wood framed with concrete topping
- Gutters/Downspouts metal
- Fence/Rails prefinished aluminum
- Dumpster screening aluminum fencing
- Sidewalks/Driveways concrete/brick pavers

These properties are located in the **Corridor Protection District** and Chapter VI pages 1 thru 9 of the **Design Review Guidelines** pertain to this request. This section states "... construction should contribute to the improvement of the architectural and visual character of these major entrance corridors to the City and the Colonial Williamsburg Historic Area". It further states "Construction should respect the overall streetscape, and should preserve and enhance the natural features present on the project site".

Chapter II of the **Design Review Guidelines** pertains to aesthetic objects in the **Corridor Protection District** and it states the following:

"Design review within the Corridor Protection Districts is intended to protect and enhance the special character of the Architectural Preservation District including the Colonial Williamsburg Historic Area by ensuring that the major access routes to the City are developed and maintained in a harmonious and compatible manner. The intent is to encourage the improvement of the architectural and visual character of these major entrance corridors, to prevent the intrusion of adverse environmental influences, and to create an atmosphere for compatible future growth. In addition, new construction designs should be of the highest quality to reflect the unique character of Williamsburg."

The Board will need to review the request and decide if the proposed design, colors and materials area acceptable. Staff would recommend the retaining walls and dumpster enclosure be faced with brick to match the buildings.

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ARB #07-077 McDonalds Restaurant/1620 Richmond Road

The applicant is proposing to construct a small playground area in a portion of the existing patio area in front of the building adjacent to Richmond Road. He proposes to install playground equipment ranging from 22 inches to 36 inches in height and some type of fencing to enclose the area. Since larger playground equipment was not acceptable, the applicant proposes to discuss potential screening and equipment before submitting a final proposal to the Board for your input. This will help the applicant by allowing some input from the Board before plans are submitted to the corporate office for review and approval.

This property is located in the **Corridor Protection District** and the following sections of the **Design Review Guidelines** Chapter VI; pages 1 thru 9 pertain to this application. This section states "... construction should contribute to the improvement of the architectural and visual character of these major entrance corridors to the City and the Colonial Williamsburg Historic Area". It further states "Construction should respect the overall streetscape, and should preserve and enhance the natural features present on the project site".

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Based on information submitted at the meeting concerning the playground equipment and fencing the Board will need to advise the applicant what is acceptable for the patio area.

Carolyn A. Murphy, AICP Deputy Planning Director